

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Doherty *et al.*

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement (Amendment) is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement, dated February 24, 2009, for which a one-month period for reply was set. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time and submit the appropriate fees by EFS, now making a response due by **April 24, 2009**. If any additional fees are required in connection with this filing, please charge Deposit Account 02-4550.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8 and end with a brief Conclusion on page 10.

Submitted herewith is a **Declaration** under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 (6 pages).